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JEFFREY J. PURDIE, Captain, United States Secret Service (USSS), Uniformed Division (UD), date of birth June 19, 1960, was interviewed at the Office of the Independent Counsel (OIC), 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004. Present for the interview were Associate Independent Counsel (AIC) MICHAEL TRAVERS and AIC MARY ANNE WIRTH and Department of Justice (DOJ) attorneys DAVID ANDERSON and ANNE WEISMAN. PURDIE was interviewed under the terms of an agreement reached between the OIC and the DOJ. After being apprised of the identity of the interviewers, PURDIE provided the following:

PURDIE has been employed by the USSS since January of 1982, when he entered service in the UD. In June of 1986, having been promoted to Sergeant, PURDIE began working at the White House complex. In September of 1989, PURDIE was promoted to Lieutenant, and in January of 1997 he was promoted to Captain. PURDIE became one of eight USSS captains who are Watch Commanders at the White House. From January of 1998 until present, PURDIE has served as the Branch Administrative Captain of the White House.

PURDIE recalled an incident that occurred on a Saturday in December of 1997. PURDIE could not recall the exact date. Sometime between 11:00 a.m. and noon, PURDIE received a telephone call from Sergeant KEITH WILLIAMS. WILLIAMS asked PURDIE to respond to the Northwest gate of the White House to address a problem that had arisen. PURDIE responded and met WILLIAMS on West Executive Avenue. WILLIAMS told PURDIE that MONICA LEWINSKY had come to the Northwest gate to make an appointment with BETTY CURRIE. LEWINSKY had packages with her, but had not been cleared in through WAVES. (PURDIE knew LEWINSKY by sight and to say hello, as they both had worked in the East Wing of the White House for a period of time.) WILLIAMS advised PURDIE that the gate officers had told LEWINSKY to use the house telephone to call CURRIE and make the appointment. LEWINSKY did this, and came back in the gate house and told Officer BRYAN HALL that no one was in. LEWINSKY then left the gate house. WILLIAMS told PURDIE that WILLIAMS had received a telephone call from West Wing Lobby Officer BRENT CHINERY. CHINERY told WILLIAMS that

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